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In re Application of: Rasmussen et al.

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For: A Cellulase Preparation Comprising an Endoglucanase Enzyme

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application on the merits, kindly amend the application as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the title, insert:

--This application is a divisional of ~~pending~~ U.S. application serial no. 08/389,423 filed February 14, 1995, <sup>now US Pat 5,948,672</sup> which is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 07/946,489 filed November 25, 1992, <sup>now abandoned</sup> which is a 35 U.S.C. 371 national application of PCT/DK91/00123 filed May 8, 1991 and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 of Danish applications 1159/90 filed May 9, 1990 and 0736/91 filed April 22, 1991, the contents of which are fully incorporated herein by reference.--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-31 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Add new claims 32-49 reading as follows:

--32. An isolated enzyme exhibiting endoglucanase activity, wherein the enzyme has the following properties: